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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In response to the Office Action of April 25, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Claims 1 - 16 have been previously cancelled.

17. (Previously Amended) A process according to claim 37, wherein the dienes have been removed from the feedstock prior to the cracking step by selective hydrogenation.